(c) if so, what action Government proposes to take to improve upon the promotion and other service conditions in National Council for Cement and Building Materials?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI KAMAL MORARKA): (a) A relay hunger strike was organised outside National Council for Cement and Building Materials (NCB) Ballabgarh for 6 days i.e. 29, 30 November, and 3, 4, 5 & 6 December, 1990 in which some NCB officials Participated.

(b) No. Sir.

(c) NCB is an autonomous co-operative research association governed by its own rules and regulations. Rules relating to promotion and conditions of service are framed by NCB's Board of Governers.

Transfer of AIR and Doordarshan to Prasar Bharati Corporation

659. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the PFIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government would not be in a position to transfer AIR & Doordarshan to the Prasar Bharati Corporation by the April, 1991;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) by what time the same is likely to be transferred to Prasar Bharati Corporation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) to (c) It is considered imperative to consult all shades of public opinion, before formally notifying the date for creation of Prasar Bharati, to ensure that its establishment is in conformity with national interest in the context of present developments in the country.

Marketing of computers

660. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Hindustan Computer Limited has obtained exclusive rights for marketing the complete range of computers to be manufactured in India;

(b) if so, whether there are a number of firms in India which have been marketing computers;

(c) if so, whether Government have provided facilities for manufacturing the computer system and instrumentation; and

(d) to what extent the demands for computers have been made by these companies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI KAMAL MORARKA): (a) M/s. Hindustan Computers Ltd. have been licensed for the manufacture of computer systems which include personal computers, mini-computers and computer peripheral like monitors, flooppy disk drives, etc. These systems are being marketed them on exclusive basis and also through the dealers in the country.

(b) There are about 100 units manufacturing and marketing computers in the country. These units have further appointed their dealers and agents for marketing computer systems in the various parts of the country.

(c) Yes, Sir. The facilities provided include communications and testing, apart from allocation of land and infrastructual facilities of electricity and water provided by the State Governments.

(d) At present, the entire demand of personal computers except for certain systems which are required for specialised applications, are being met by the units producing computer systems in the country. The import is only for the special purpose and large systems which are required for the specialised requirement.